

REMARKS

Restriction Requirement

The Examiner has imposed a Restriction Requirement, and requested that Applicants elect one of two identified groups of claims for prosecution in connection with the present application. The two groups of claims are as follows:

Group I: Claims 1-10, drawn to a type of wobbled pre-pit type as part of a recording medium, classified in class 369, subclass 275.4; or

Group II: Claims 11-34, drawing to copy protection techniques, classified in class 380, subclass 202.

Applicants' Election

Applicants respectfully elect Group I, including claims 1-10 without traverse. Applicants have withdrawn claims 11-34 without prejudice or disclaimer of the subject matter therein and reserve the right to reintroduce the subject matter of these claims and/or file a related application to the subject matter of the claims.

Conclusion

An early indication of the allowability of claims 1-10 in connection with the present application is earnestly solicited.

Applicants note that the period for reply to a restriction/election requirement is typically set to expire thirty (30) days from the mailing date of the Office Action. However, the present Office Action indicates that the period for reply is set to expire three (3) months from the mailing date of the Office Action, i.e., January 10, 2008. Thus, Applicants believe that no extension fees are due in connection with the present response.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 08-0750 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 or 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Very truly yours,

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